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# ANNUAL REPORT



STOW



1939-40

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**ANNUAL REPORT**

OF THE

**MUNICIPAL OFFICERS**

OF THE

**TOWN OF STOW**

FOR THE

**YEAR ENDING FEBRUARY 1st., 1940**

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Advertiser-Democrat Print, Norway, Maine

1940

# Officers

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## *Selectmen*

H. S. EMERSON

ERVILLE A. FERNALD

WALTER A. SAMPSON

## *Treasurer*

RUTH BRYANT

## *Clerk*

H. S. EMERSON

## *Road Commissioner*

IRVING SMITH

## *Tax Collector*

IRVING BRYANT

## *Superintendent of Schools*

CHARLES A. SNOW

## *School Committee*

MAURICE EASTMAN

IRVING BRYANT

ELIZABETH FERNALD

## *Constable*

IRVING BRYANT

## *Auditor*

M. W. BRAGDON, State Dept. of Audit

# Warrant for Town Meeting

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To Irving Bryant, Constable of the Town of Stow, County of Oxford,

Greeting:

In the name of the State of Maine, you are hereby requested to notify and warn the inhabitants of said town of Stow, qualified by law to vote in town affairs, to meet at the Town House in said town on Monday, the fourth day of March A. D. 1940 at ten o'clock in the forenoon to act on the following articles, to wit:

Art. 1. To choose a moderator to preside at said meeting.

Art. 2. To choose a town clerk for the ensuing year.

Art. 3. To allow accounts.

Art. 4. To choose selectmen, assessors and overseers of the poor for the ensuing year.

Art. 5. To choose a school committee for three years.

Art. 6. To choose a town treasurer for the ensuing year and vote the compensation.

Art. 7. To choose a road commissioner for ensuing year.

Art. 8. To choose all other town officers for the ensuing year.

Art. 9. To see what sum of money the town will vote to grant and raise for common schools for the ensuing year.

Art. 10. To see what sum of money the town will vote to grant and raise for repair of roads and bridges for the ensuing year.

Art. 11. To see what sum of money the town will vote to grant and raise for the support of poor for the ensuing year.

Art. 12. To see what sum of money the town will vote to grant and raise for town officers' bills for the ensuing year.

Art. 13. To see what sum of money the town will vote to grant and raise for school books, apparatus and appliances for the ensuing year.

Art. 14. To see what sum of money the town will raise and appropriate for state aid road construction (in addition to the amounts regularly raised for the care of ways, highways and bridges) under the provisions of Section 19, Chapter 28, Revised Statutes of 1930, or under the provisions of Section 3, Chapter 229, Public Laws of 1937.

Art. 15. To see if the town will vote to authorize the assessors to rescind any amounts appropriated by the town for State Aid Highway construction in excess of the amount required to meet state apportionments.

Art. 16. To see if the town will vote to raise money and what sum, for maintenance of State Aid Highways during the ensuing year, within the limits of town, under the provisions of Section 18, Chapter 25 of the Revised Statutes of 1916.

Art. 17. To see what sum of money the town will vote to grant and raise to pay overdrawn bills.

Art. 18. To see what sum of money the town will vote to grant and raise for repair of schoolhouses for the ensuing year.

Art. 19. To see what sum of money the town will vote to grant and raise for high school purposes for the ensuing year.

Art. 20. To see if the town will raise money for maintenance of third class road. Such sum cannot be less than \$204.00 as per state requirements.

Art. 21. To see what sum of money the town will vote to grant and raise for cutting bushes on State Aid highway within the limits of the town.

Art. 22. To see if the town will vote to grant and raise \$120.00 for Mothers' Aid.

Art. 23. To see if the town will vote to grant and raise \$138.00 for electric lights.

Art. 24. To see if the town will raise and appropriate \$5.00 for public health work in Stow, said sum to be expended by the Bureau of Health, State Department of Health and Welfare in cooperation with local authorities.

Art. 25. To see what disposal the town will vote to make of any money received from the Federal Reserve during the present fiscal

year, such money must be used for roads or schools to be according to law.

Art. 26. To see if the town will vote to authorize the selectmen to procure a temporary loan or loans in anticipation of taxes for the purpose of paying the indebtedness of the town, such notes to be paid during the current municipal year out of money raised during said current municipal year by taxes.

Art. 27. To see if the town will vote to give a two per cent discount on all taxes paid before July 1, 1940.

Art. 28. To see if the town will vote for one half of all orders drawn after June 1st to be turned in on taxes until paid.

Art. 29. To see if the town will vote to authorize the selectmen to dispose of any property acquired through tax deeds or liens.

Art. 30. To see what action the town will take in regard to covering the roof of the tractor house and raise money for same.

Art. 31. To transact any other business that may legally come before said meeting.

The selectmen give notice that they will be in session at the Town House on Monday, the 4th day of March, 1940, at nine o'clock in the forenoon to revise the list of voters.

Given under our hands at Stow this 10th day of February, 1940.

H. S. EMERSON,

E. A. FERNALD,

W. A. SAMPSON,

Selectmen of Stow.

# Selectmen's Report

## VALUATION

Real estate, resident	\$35,365 00	
Real estate, non-resident	80,103 00	
Total real estate		\$115,468 00
Personal estate, resident	\$ 8,225 00	
Personal estate, non resident	2,785 00	
*Total personal estate		11,010 00
Total valuation		\$126,478 00

## TAXABLE LIVESTOCK AND POULTRY

	No.	Av. Val.	Total Val.
Horses	26	\$107 00+	\$2,785 00
Colts	2	50 00	100 00
Cows	90	40 00+	3,890 00
Oxen	4	62 00+	250 00
Three year olds	15	35 00+	530 00
Two year olds	43	23 00+	995 00
Total value			\$ 8,550 00

## OTHER PERSONAL PROPERTY

Stock in trade	\$ 600 00	
Gas tanks and pumps, 5	160 00	
Tractor, 1	100 00	
Gas engines and machinery	200 00	
Electric light line	1,400 00	
Total value		2,460 00
*Total value of personal property		\$11,010 00



## EXEMPT LIVESTOCK AND POULTRY

	No.	Av. Val.	Total Val.
One year olds	26	\$11 00—	\$280 00
Sheep	2	4 00	8 00
Swine	15	11 00+	166 00
Poultry	258	50	129 00
Total value exempt			\$583 00

## ASSESSMENTS

State tax	\$928 15
County tax	409 46
Common schools	653 00
Roads and bridges	550 00
Support of Poor	200 00
Town Officers' bills	500 00
School books	100 00
State Aid road	450 00
State Aid patrol	225 00
Overdrawn bills	500 00
High school	700 00
Third Class Maintenance	204 00
Cutting bushes on State Aid road	100 00
Mother's Aid	120 00
Electric lights	138 00
Overlay	172 38
Total assessment	\$5,949 99
Supplementary assessment	\$ 9 00
Number of polls taxed, 44; \$132.00.	
Number of polls not taxed, 2.	
Rate of taxation .046, rate of collection .011¼.	

## MOTHER'S AID

Orders drawn:

State Treasurer, for Winnie Bryant, Jan., Feb.,

March

\$ 30 00

State Treasurer, for Winnie Bryant, Apr., May, June	30 00
State Treasurer, for Winnie Bryant, July, Aug., September	30 00
State Treasurer, for Winnie Bryant, Oct., Nov., December	30 00
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$120 00</b>
<b>Raised by Town</b>	<b>\$120 00</b>

## SUPPORT OF POOR

Raised by Town	\$200 00
Received from Town of Paris	74 84
	<b>\$274 84</b>

## Orders drawn:

Rodney Crouse, groceries furnished Jason Smith	\$ 6 66
Rodney Crouse, supplies furnished Jason Smith	13 83
Rodney Crouse, supplies furnished Jason Smith	10 57
J. W. McIntire, rent of Abbott house for Jason Smith	10 00
Rodney Crouse, supplies furnished Jason Smith	16 53
Rodney Crouse, supplies furnished Jason Smith	6 25
J. W. McIntire, rent of Abbott house for Jason Smith	10 00
Maurice Eastman, wood for Jason Smith	1 00

<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 74 84</b>
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<b>Unexpended</b>	<b>\$200 00</b>
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## HIGHWAY PATROL

Raised by town		\$225 00
Orders drawn for patrol	\$ 45 04	
Orders drawn for old age credit to patrol	82 98	
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Total orders drawn		\$128 02
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Unexpended		\$ 96 98
Old age payments for balance of year at \$13.83 per month	82 88	
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		\$ 14 10

## STATE TAX

Raised by town	\$928 15
Order to State Treasurer for State tax	\$928 15

## COUNTY TAX

Raised by town	\$409 46
Order to County Treasurer for County tax	\$409 46

## MISCELLANEOUS ORDERS

Advertiser Democrat, printing town reports	\$ 50 56
H. S. Emerson, money paid for record book	1 60
Loring, Short & Harmon, town books and stationery	10 25
Maurice Eastman, flags for Memorial Day	1 80
Asa O. Pike 2nd & Son, bonds for town officers	30 50
Marks Printing House, excise book	50
Hutchins Bros., town order book	2 45
Olive Goldthwaite, recording liens and postage	4 09
Hastings & Son, legal advice	1 00
Kezar Falls National Bank, note and interest	510 21
Asa O. Pike, 2nd & Son, insurance	32 85
Branham Printing Co., auto reference book	1 00
Maurice Eastman, care of cemetery	9 11
Loring, Short & Harmon, books and stationery	4 55
State Treasurer, dog tax	9 00
Irving Bryant, discount on taxes	45 92

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\$715 39

## TOWN OFFICER BILLS

Arthur Hodsdon, auditor	\$ 20 00
Charles A. Snow, superintendent of schools	153 00
D. C. Towle, sealer of weights and measures	5 00
State Dept. of Audit, M. W. Bragdon services and expenses	22 45
Erville Fernald, part salary as selectman	35 00
William Sanborn, services as ballot clerk	2 50
Walter Sampson, services as selectman	50 00
H. S. Emerson, collecting excise tax	9 45
H. S. Emerson, services as selectman	100 00
H. S. Emerson, services as town clerk	10 00
H. S. Emerson, recording births, deaths and marriages	1 20
H. S. Emerson, postage and express	4 11
Erville Fernald, balance of pay as selectman	15 00
Irving Bryant, services as constable	5 00
Ruth Bryant, services as treasurer	35 00
Ruth Bryant, postage	6 10
Irving Bryant, collecting taxes	74 49
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Total	\$548 30
Raised by town	\$500 00
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Overdrawn	\$ 48 30

## OLD AGE ASSISTANCE

Credit from State Highway Dept. on Patrol Bill	\$165 86
Orders drawn:	
State Treasurer, \$13.83 a month for six months	82 98
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Due for old age assistance	\$ 82 88

## ELECTRIC LIGHTS

Raised by town	\$138 00
Balance from 1938	59 75
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Total available	\$197 75
Paid Central Maine Power Co., for lights	48 20
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Balance	\$149 55

## RECEIPTS

White Mountain Forest Reserve	\$103 05
Hall rent	10 00
Mrs. O. W. Osgood, 1938 tax	9 66
Hazen Wiley, 1938 poll tax	3 00
Bridge Construction Corp., dynamite, fuse and caps	2 95
Herbert Emerson, auto tax	184 45
Bridge Construction Corp., plowing snow with tractor	13 50
Dana McAlister, 1938 tax	69
Leroy Smith, 1938 poll tax	3 00
Fidelity Trust Co., dividend	5 96
Kezar Falls National Bank, loan	500 00
Chester Smith, 1938 tax	20 09
Carroll Penley, 1938 tax	15 65
State, balance 1937 hedgehog bounty	2 64
State, 1938 hedgehog bounty	18 25
Herbert Emerson, dog tax	9 00
Town of Paris, support of poor	74 84
State, unimproved road	195 27
State, Bank stock tax	5 26
State, snow removal	457 07
Phineas Seavey, 1937 tax	16 52
State, State Aid road	1,222 51
State, by receipt Highway Patrol	45 04
State, dog license refund	8 78
State, school fund	693 10
Emma Smith, W. H. Smith 1938 tax	18 83
Casco Bank & Trust Co., cemetery fund	9 11
Ervile Fernald, Thos. Smith 1938 tax	23 84
C. E. Fox, W. H. Smith 1938 tax	5 58
Irving Bryant, 1939 taxes	5,661 03
Irving Bryant, by order discount on taxes	45 92
Balance in treasury, Feb. 1, 1939	1,465 84

Total receipts

\$10,850 43

## EXPENDITURES

Teachers	\$ 720 00	
Fuel	38 50	
Janitors	5 00	
Text books and supplies	110 49	
Conveyance	414 00	
High school tuition	686 00	
Common school tuition	98 00	
Repairs of schoolhouse	83 74	
Total for schools		\$ 2,155 73
Snow removal after Feb. 1, 1939	\$517 72	
Snow removal 1939-40	499 96	
Total for snow removal		\$ 1,017 68
Town road	\$ 548 99	
Third Class Maintenance	199 50	
Highway patrol	45 04	
Unimproved road, State Aid	195 28	
Sand for tar on State Aid road	122 62	
State Aid Road construction	1,595 65	
Cutting bushes on State Aid Road	118 02	
Total for roads		\$2,825 10
Town officers bills	\$ 548 30	
Mother's Aid	120 00	
Miscellaneous	715 39	
Electric lights	48 20	
Support of poor	74 84	
State Tax	928 15	
County Tax	409 46	
Old Age Assistance	82 98	
		2,927 32
Total orders drawn		\$ 8,925 83
Bal. in Treas., Feb. 1, 1940		1,924 60
		\$10,850 43

## DUE TOWN FOR TAXES

Simeon Charles Heirs, 1936	\$ 40	
Simeon Charles Heirs, 1937	44	
		84
Due for 1938 taxes:		
Chester Emerson	\$ 10 35	
Phineas Seavey	13 80	
Simeon Charles Heirs	46	
Roland Charles Heirs	46	
		25 07
Total due on taxes prior to 1939		\$ 25 91

## FINANCIAL STANDING OF TOWN

## Resources

Bal. in Treas., Feb. 1, 1940	\$ 1,924 60	
Due from taxes, previous years	25 91	
Due from 1939 taxes	252 04	
Due from State, snow removal to date	202 78	
		\$ 2,405 33

## Liabilities

Central Maine Power Co.	\$ 140 15	
Old Age Assistance to be paid before Aug. 1	82 88	
		223 03

Bal. in favor of town \$ 2,182 30  
 The books and accounts will be audited by the State Auditor later.

H. S. EMERSON,  
 E. A. FERNALD,  
 W. A. SAMPSON,

Selectmen of Stow.

# Tax Collector's Report

Original commitment	\$5,949 99	
Supplementary taxes	9 00	
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		\$5,958 99
Cash paid to town treasurer	\$5,661 03	
Discount on taxes	45 92	
Delinquent taxes, resident:		
Chester Smith, homestead	18 40	
Thomas Smith, poll tax	3 00	
Henry Wardwell, poll tax	3 00	
William Russell, Jr., poll tax	3 00	
Ned Bryant, heirs of	116 41	
Irving Bryant, personal property	37 49	
Irving Bryant, balance real estate	17 38	
Alger Drew, personal property	2 53	
Alger Drew, real estate	32 20	
Non-resident real estate:		
Phineas Seavey	13 80	
Dana McAllister	69	
Georgia McAlister	3 22	
Simeon Charles, heirs of	46	
Roland Charles, heirs of	46	
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		\$5,958 99

IRVING BRYANT, Collector.



# Treasurer's Report

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Feb. 1, 1939, balance in treasury	\$1,465 84
White Mt. Forest Reserve	103 05
Hall rent	10 00
Mrs. O. W. Osgood, 1938 tax	9 66
Hazen Wiley, 1938 poll tax	3 00
Bridge Construction Co., fuse and caps	66
Herbert Emerson, auto tax	184 45
Bridge Construction Co., plowing with snow plow and tractor	13 50
Bridge Construction Co., dynamite, caps and fuse	2 29
Dana McAllister, 1938 tax	69
Leroy Smith, 1938 poll tax	3 00
Fidelity Trust Co., dividend	5 96
Kezar Falls National Bank, loan	500 00
Chester Smith, 1938 tax, cost and interest	20 09
Carroll Penley, 1938 tax	15 65
State, balance 1937 hedgehog bounty, 16 per cent	2 64
State, 1938 hedgehog bounty	18 25
Herbert Emerson, dog tax	9 00
Town of Paris, support of poor	74 84
State, maintenance unimproved roads	195 27
State, bank stock tax	5 26
State, snow removal	457 07
Phineas Seavey, 1937 tax, cost and interest	16 52
State Aid road	1,222 51
State, by receipts of highway patrol	45 04
State, dog licenses refunded	8 78
State, school fund	693 10
Emma Smith, W. H. Smith, 1938 tax, cost and interest	18 83
Casco Bank & Trust Co., trust fund interest	9 11
Erville Fernald, Thomas Smith 1938 tax, cost and interest	23 84
C. E. Fox, balance W. H. Smith 1938 tax, cost and interest	5 58

Received from tax collector	5,661 03	
Received by order, discount on taxes	45 92	
Total receipts		\$10,850 43
Town orders paid	\$8,925 83	
Balance in treasury	1,924 60	
		\$10,850 43

Respectfully submitted,

RUTH G. BRYANT, Treasurer.

## Road Work

### THIRD CLASS MAINTENANCE

Wallace Guptill, 22 hours labor, self and truck	\$ 22 00	
Cleveland Sampson, 22 hours, labor	7 70	
Cleveland Sampson, 8 hours, labor	2 80	
Cleveland Sampson, 15 hours, labor	5 25	
Wallace Guptill, 31 hours, labor, self and truck	31 00	
Wallace Guptill, 9 hours, labor, self and truck	9 00	
Cleveland Sampson, 49 hours, labor	17 15	
Wallace Guptill, 40 hours, labor, self and truck	40 00	
Cleveland Sampson, 36 hours, labor	12 60	
Wallace Guptill, 40 hours, labor, self and truck	40 00	
Hugh Hastings, 80 yards gravel @ 15c	12 00	
Total		\$199 50
Amount raised by town		204 00
Unexpended		\$ 4 50

### SNOW REMOVAL FOR 1939-40

Wallace Guptill, 40 hrs. plowing and 1 hr. sanding	\$61 12
Cleveland Sampson, 40 hrs. plowing and 1 hr. sanding	14 35
Wallace Guptill, 16 hrs. plowing, 2 hrs. sanding	26 25
Wallace Guptill, 13 hrs. plowing	19 50

Cleveland Sampson, 29 hrs. plowing, 2 hrs. sanding	10 85
Wallace Guptill, 21 hrs. sanding	23 62
Cleveland Sampson, 21 hrs. sanding	7 35
Maurice Eastman, 6 hrs. sanding	2 10
Wallace Guptill, 36 hrs. plowing	54 00
Cleveland Sampson, 36 hrs. plowing	12 60
Hugh Hastings, 74 yds. sand for sanding ice	11 10
Cleveland Sampson, 14 hrs. plowing, 4 hrs. sanding	6 30
Wallace Guptill, 14 hrs. plowing, 4 hrs. sanding	25 54
Erville Fernald, 3 hrs. sanding	3 37
Maurice Eastman, 4 hrs. sanding	1 40
Herbert Emerson, 3 hrs. sanding	1 05
Philip Andrews, 3 hrs. sanding	1 05
Wallace Guptill, 4 hrs. plowing, 8 hrs. sanding	15 00
Cleveland Sampson, 4 hrs. plowing, 8 hrs. sanding	4 20
Cleveland Sampson, 45 hrs. plowing	15 75
Wallace Guptill, 45 hrs. plowing	67 50
Erville Fernald, 15 hrs. stock piling sand	16 87
Simon Smith, 23 hrs. stock piling sand	8 05
Corridon Smith, 23 hrs. stock piling sand	8 05
Fred Eastman, 8 hrs. stock piling sand	9 00
Kenneth Emerson, 26 hrs. stock piling sand	9 10
Cleveland Sampson, 34 hrs. stock piling sand	11 90
Wallace Guptill, 31 hrs. stock piling sand	34 87
Hugh Hastings, 150 yds. sand for ice	22 50
Wallace Guptill, one trip to Bridgton, bolts and labor on plow	5 50
Wallace Guptill, 11 hrs. plowing, 2 hrs. sanding	18 75
Cleveland Sampson, 11 hrs. plowing, 2 hrs. sanding	4 55
Wallace Guptill, 4 hrs. sanding	4 50
Wallace Guptill, 11 hrs. sanding	12 37
Cleveland Sampson, 15 hrs. sanding	5 25
Maurice Eastman, 15 hrs. sanding	5 25
Wallace Guptill, 4 hrs. plowing, 8 hrs. sanding	15 00
Cleveland Sampson, 4 hrs. plowing, 5 hrs. sanding	3 15
Maurice Eastman, 8 hrs. sanding	2 80
Cleveland Sampson, 4 hrs. plowing, 5 hrs. sanding	3 15

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Wallace Guptill, 4 hrs. plowing, 5 hrs. sanding	11 62
Maurice Eastman, 5 hrs. sanding	1 75
Cleveland Sampson, 13 hrs. plowing, 2 hrs. sanding	5 25
Wallace Guptill, 13 hrs. plowing, 2 hrs. sanding	21 75
Wallace Guptill, 32 hrs. plowing, 10 hrs. sanding	59 25
Cleveland Sampson, 32 hrs. plowing, 10 hrs. sanding	14 70
Maurice Eastman, 8 hrs. sanding, 3 hrs. shoveling snow	3 85
Wallace Guptill, 5 hrs. plowing, 12 hrs. sanding	21 00
Cleveland Sampson, 5 hrs. plowing, 12 hrs. sanding	5 95
Maurice Eastman, 12 hrs. sanding	4 20
W. H. Harding, blacksmithing for tractor	1 00
Fred Watson, labor and welding on tractor	17 50
Charles Forrest, shoveling door yard	5 00
M. H. Young, labor and material for tractor	12 57
R. M. Crouse, gas for tractor	9 78
Philip Andrews, 29½ hrs. plowing and work on tractor	11 80
H. S. Emerson, 33½ hrs. plowing and work on tractor	13 40
Rodney Crouse, gas for tractor	19 55
H. S. Emerson, 39 hrs. plowing and labor on tractor	15 60
Lyndon Emerson, 15 hrs. plowing and labor on tractor	6 00
Rodney Crouse, gas for tractor	3 76
Irving Smith, 36½ hrs. plowing on tractor	14 60
Ernest Watson, 8 hrs. plowing on tractor	3 20
South Western Ref. Co., oil for tractor	32 19
Erville Fernald, trucking and bagging salt	3 75
Town of Fryeburg, 2 tons road salt	22 20
New England Grain Co., 2 tons road salt	36 00
Watson's Garage, welding and bolts for tractor	15 34
M. H. Young, labor and material for tractor	34 10
H. S. Emerson, 8 hrs. work on tractor	2 80
Wallace Guptill, 2 hrs. sanding	2 25
Cleveland Sampson, 2 hrs. sanding	70
Maurice Eastman, 2 hrs. sanding	70

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Total

\$1,017 68

# Road Commissioner's Report

## TOWN ROAD

Leroy Smith, 11 hours, with truck	\$ 8 80
Irving Smith, 16 1-2 hours, with horses	13 20
Irving Smith, 13 1-2 hours	5 54
Simon Smith, 16 hours	5 60
Erville Fernald, 19 1-2 hours, with truck	19 50
Van Hodsdon, 8 hours	2 80
Irving Smith, 27 hours, with horses	21 87
Erwin Hodsdon, 5 hours	1 75
Van Hodsdon, 8 hours	2 80
Irving Smith, 13 1-2 hours, with truck	10 70
Lyndon Emerson, 11 1-2 hours	4 03
Philip Andrews, 16 hours	5 60
Simon Smith, 8 hours	2 80
William Russell, Sr., 8 hours	2 80
Erville Fernald, 8 hours, with truck	8 00
Irving Smith, 12 hours	4 92
Irving Smith, 8 hours, with horses	6 48
Fred Eastman, 8 hours, with truck	8 00
Gus Wiley, 8 hours	2 80
Cory Smith, 8 hours	2 80
Erville Fernald, 8 hours, with truck	8 00
Irving Smith, 14 1-2 hours	15 23
Irving Smith, 8 hours	3 28
Van Hodsdon, 4 hours	1 40
Simon Smith, 8 hours	2 80
Cory Smith, 8 hours	2 80
Philip Hodsdon, 8 hours	2 80
Simon Smith, 9 hours	3 15
Cory Smith, 9 hours	3 15
Horace Smith, 9 hours, with horses	6 75
Horace Smith, 3 1-2 hours	1 23
Philip Andrews, 9 hours, with horses	6 75
Irving Smith, 9 hours	3 69
Van Hodsdon, 16 hours	5 60
Simon Smith, 16 hours	5 60
Francis Ryerson, 16 hours	5 60
William Russell, Sr., 9 hours	3 15
Merton Eastman, 9 hours, with horses	6 75
John Gerry & Son, bridge plank	10 00
Fox Brothers, bridge plank and spikes	50 50

Irving Smith, 16 hours	10 40
Simon Smith, 11 1-2 hours	4 02
Irving Smith, 25 1-2 hours	10 46
Irving Smith, 12 1-2 hours, with truck	13 13
Cory Smith, 13 1-2 hours	4 73
Simon Smith, 16 hours	5 60
Cory Smith, 8 hours	2 80
Erville Fernald, 26 1-4 hours, with tractor	31 50
Hilton McAllister, 8 hours	2 80
Fred Eastman, 8 hours, with truck	8 00
Gus Wiley, 8 hours	2 80
Simon Smith, 13 1-2 hours	4 73
Van Hodsdon, 13 1-2 hours	4 73
Gus Wiley, 40 1-2 hrs., 40 1-2 yds. gravel	6 08
Lyndon Emerson, 8 hours	2 80
Fox Brothers, bridge plank and spikes	36 75
Irving Smith, 7 hours	2 87
Irving Smith, 8 hours with truck	9 20
Cory Smith, 8 hours	2 80
Erville Fernald, 8 hours with truck	8 00
Ed. Hodsdon, 8 hours	2 80
Irving Smith, 6 1-2 hours with truck	6 50
Irving Smith, 3 hours, with truck	4 05
Irving Smith, 7 1-2 hours, with truck	4 88
Irving Smith, 6 1-2 hours	2 67
Irving Smith, 6 1-2 hours, with truck	6 88
Erville Fernald, 6 1-2 hours, with tractor	7 80
Simon Smith, 6 1-2 hours	2 28
J. O. Flint, 6 spades	10 00
Fox Brothers, bridge plank	4 50
Wallace Gupstill, 2 1-2 hours	88
Philip Andrews, road machine wheels	2 00
Walter Pinkham, 3 hours	1 05
Gus Wiley, 36 hours	11 60
Cory Smith, 36 hours	11 60
Irving Smith, 8 hours	3 28
Hugh Hastings, 20 yards gravel	3 00
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	\$548 99
Raised by town	550 00
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Balance	\$ 1 01

## R. F. D. ROAD

Simon Smith, 16 hours	\$ 5 60	
Cory Smith, 16 hours	5 60	
Van Hodsdon, 6 1-2 hours	2 28	
Simon Smith, 16 hours	5 60	
Cory Smith, 24 hours	8 40	
Horace Smith, 22 1-2 hours with horses	16 88	
Philip Andrews, 30 1-2 hours, with horses	22 88	
Irving Smith, 38 1-2 hours	15 79	
William Russell, Sr., 22 1-2 hours	7 88	
Merton Eastman, 21 hours, with horses	15 75	
Simon Smith, 9 hours	3 15	
Cory Smith, 6 hours	2 10	
Van Hodsdon, 16 hours	5 60	
Gus Wiley, 16 hours	5 60	
Cory Smith, 16 hours	5 60	
Simon Smith, 16 hours	5 60	
Lyndon Emerson, 16 hours	5 60	
Fred Eastman, 16 hours with truck	18 00	
Town of Chatham, use of road machine	2 50	
Hugh Hastings, 24 yds. of gravel	3 60	
Erville Fernald, 3 1-4 hours with tractor	3 90	
Erville Fernald, 16 hours, with tractor	18 00	
Irving Smith, 19 hours	7 79	
Irving Smith, 10 1-2 yards gravel	1 58	
		\$195 28
Available from State		195 30
Balance		\$ 02

## CUTTING BUSHES ON STATE ROAD

Van Hodsdon, 34 hours	\$ 11 90
Horace Smith, 34 hours	11 90
William Russell, Sr., 34 hours	11 90
Cory Smith, 32 hours	11 20
Gus Wiley, 8 hours	2 80
Simon Smith, 8 hours	2 80
Irving Smith, 26 hours	10 66
Lyndon Emerson, 34 hours	11 90

Fred Eastman, 28 hours	9 70	
Simon Smith, 8 hours	2 80	
Cory Smith, 8 hours	2 80	
Van Hodsdon, 22 1-3 hours	7 82	
Irving Smith, 4 hours	4 20	
Lyndon Emerson, 22 1-3 hours	7 82	
Gus Wiley, 6 1-3 hours	2 22	
Simon Smith, 8 hours	2 80	
Cory Smith, 8 hours	2 80	
		\$118 02
Raised by town		100 00
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Overdrawn		\$ 18 02

## STATE AID ROAD

## Resources

Raised by town	\$ 450 00	
Apportioned by State	1,575 00	
Transferred from third class	663 75	
Balance from 1938	274 21	
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Joint Fund		\$2,962 96

## Liabilities

Sand for tar	\$ 122 62	
Loader	8 80	
State bill for tarring	868 55	
State Aid construction	1,596 53	
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		\$2,596 50
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Balance State Aid Fund		\$ 366 46



## ORDERS DRAWN FOR SAND FOR TAR

Hugh Hastings, sand	\$ 18 75	
Wallace Guptill, 11 hours with truck	11 00	
Herbert Emerson, 11 hours, labor	3 85	
Maurice Eastman, 11 hours, labor	3 85	
Bert Nelson, 11 hours, labor	3 85	
William Russell, Sr., 11 hours, labor	3 85	
Joe Nelson, 11 hours, labor	3 85	
Barton Files, 11 hours, labor	3 85	
John Files, 11 hours, labor	3 85	
Van Hodsdon, 11 hours, labor	3 85	
Cleveland Sampson, 11 hours, labor	3 85	
Simon Smith, 11 hours, labor	3 85	
Erville Fernald, 11 hours labor, with truck	12 37	
Irving Smith, 11 hours, labor, with truck	12 37	
Fred Eastman, 11 hours, labor, with truck	12 37	
Willis Bryant, 6 1-2 hours, labor, with truck	7 31	
Thaxter Littlefield, 8 hours, self and truck, 3 hours truck	9 95	
Total		\$122 62

## ORDERS DRAWN FOR STATE AID CONSTRUCTION

Irving Smith, 48 hours	\$24 00
Leroy Smith, 48 hours	16 80
Gus Wiley, 48 hours	16 80
Cory Smith, 48 hours	16 80
Simon Smith, 40 hours	14 00
Fred Eastman, 8 hours with horses	6 00
Fred Eastman, 32 hours, with truck	36 00
Irving Smith, 46 1-2 hours	23 25
Leroy Smith, 46 1-2 hours	16 28
Cory Smith, 46 1-2 hours	16 28
Gus Wiley, 46 1-2 hours	16 28
Maurice Eastman, 94 1-2 hours	33 80
Lyndon Emerson, 86 1-2 hours	30 28
Everett Day, 82 1-2 hours	28 88
Simon Smith, 38 1-2 hours	13 48
Fred Eastman, 38 1-2 hours, with truck	43 31

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Erville Fernald, 66 1-2 hours, with truck	74 81
Van Hodsdon, 46 1-2 hours	16 28
Irving Smith, 40 hours	20 00
Cory Smith, 40 hours	14 00
Gus Wiley, 32 hours	11 20
Maurice Eastman, 32 hours	11 20
Lyndon Emerson, 32 hours	11 20
Everett Day, 32 hours	11 20
Simon Smith, 40 hours	14 00
Van Hodsdon, 8 hours	2 80
Erville Fernald, 16 hours, with truck	18 00
Horace Smith, 72 hours with horses	54 00
Horace Smith, 39 hours, horses	15 60
F. Bachelder, 5 hours with compressor	15 00
New England Metal Culvert Co.	95 07
Stiles-Fitton Hardware Co., dynamite, fuse and caps	52 13
Irving Smith, 48 hours	24 00
Cory Smith, 48 hours	16 80
Gus Wiley, 48 hours	16 80
Maurice Eastman, 32 hours	11 20
Lyndon Emerson, 28 hours	9 80
Everett Day, 32 hours	11 20
Simon Smith, 44 hours	15 40
Erville Fernald, 48 hours, with truck	54 00
Wallace Guphill, 48 hours, with truck	58 80
William Russell, Sr., 38 hours	13 30
Fred Eastman, 40 hours, with truck	45 00
Van Hodsdon, 24 hours	8 40
Fred Eastman, 28 hours, with truck	31 50
Simon Smith, 29 hours	9 80
Gus Wiley, 28 hours	9 80
Erville Fernald, 28 hours, with truck	31 50
Van Hodsdon, 8 hours	2 80
Irving Smith, 28 hours	14 00
Wallace Guphill, 12 hours, with truck	14 70
Cory Smith, 72 hrs.	25 20
Simon Smith, 44 hrs.	15 40
Irving Smith, 44 hrs.	22 00
Everett Day, 34 hrs.	11 90
Wm. Russell, Sr., 52 hrs.	18 20
Fred Eastman, 23 hrs. with truck	29 25

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Lyndon Emerson, 52 hrs.	18 20
Maurice Eastman, 8 hrs.	2 80
Herbert Emerson, 70 1-2 hrs.	24 68
Wallace Guphill, 24 hrs. with truck	29 40
Horace Smith, 15 hrs. with horses	11 25
Erville Fernald, 2 hrs. with tractor	2 40
Erville Fernald, 27 hrs. with truck	30 38
Mrs. W. Thompson, 114 yds. gravel	11 40
Maurice Eastman, 450 yds. fill	45 00
Hugh Hastings, 513 1-2 yds. base	77 03
J. O. Flint, 3 pick handles and 3 balls twine	2 00
Ernest Gerry, sharpening tools	2 75
R. Crouse, kerosene	<del>48</del>
Irving Smith, 10 hrs.	5 00
Erville Fernald, 2 hrs. with tractor	2 40
Cleve Sampson, 4 hrs.	1 40
Virgil Smith, 8 hrs.	9 80
Everett Day, 28 hrs.	9 80

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\$1,595 65

IRVING SMITH,

Road Commissioner.

# School Department

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## FINANCIAL STATEMENT FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING FEB. 8, 1940

### COMMON SCHOOL ACCOUNT

Resources		
Balance Feb. 8, 1939	\$	50 21
Appropriation		653 00
State of Maine, School Fund		643 10
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		\$1,346 31

Disbursements		
Paid teacher	\$	720 00
Paid fuel		38 50
Paid cleaning		5 00
Paid conveyance		414 00
Paid tuition		98 00
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		\$1,275 50
Balance		70 81
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		\$1,346 31

### COMMON SCHOOL ACCOUNT DISBURSEMENTS ITEMIZED

Teacher, Mildred C. Andrews, 36 weeks		
@ \$20.00	\$	720 00
Fuel, Simon Smith, 5½ cords @ \$7.00		
(delivered, sawed, stored)		38 50
Conveyance, Rodney Crouse, 18 weeks @ \$10.00		
Rodney Crouse, 18 weeks @ \$12.00		396 00
William Russell Jr. 9 weeks @ \$2.00		18 00
Tuition, Town of Fryeburg		62 00
Chatham School District		36 00
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		\$1,275 50

## HIGH SCHOOL ACCOUNT

Resources		
Balance Feb. 8, 1939	\$	39
Appropriation		700 00
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	\$	700 39
Disbursements		
Fryeburg Academy, tuition charges	\$686	00
Balance		14 39
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	\$	700 39

## TEXT BOOK ACCOUNT

Resources		
Balance Feb. 8, 1939	\$	46
Appropriation		100 00
State of Maine, School Fund		50 00
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	\$	150 46
Disbursements		
Expended	\$110	49
Balance		39 97
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	\$	150 46

## TEXT BOOK ACCOUNT DISBURSEMENTS ITEMIZED

Hutchins Bros., printing	\$	60
The John C. Winston Co., text books		9 35
Edw. E. Babb & Co., supplies		2 48
Hutchins Bros., stationery		4 31
Beckley-Cardy Co., text books		2 08
Silver Burdett & Co., text books		6 28
Hutchins Bros., printing		50
The Welles Publishing Co., magazines		2 50
Loring, Short & Harmon, supplies		10 47
Howard & Brown, diplomas		90
Beckley-Cardy Co., text books		66

Edw. E. Babb & Co., supplies	24 70	
Milton Bradley Co., supplies	1 08	
Allyn & Bacon, work books	5 16	
Lyons & Carnahan, work books	1 72	
Scott Foresman Co., work books	60	
Hutchins Bros., printing	75	
Chas. A. Snow, expense account	4 65	
Martin Company, supplies	1 44	
Ginn & Company	1 53	
National Education Society, index	2 85	
The Arlo Publishing Co., text books	3 56	
Allyn & Bacon, text books	3 21	
Silver Burdett & Co., text books	10 79	
O. H. Toothaker, library books	1 23	
Rand MacNally & Co., text books	1 25	
American Book Co., text books	1 26	
Hutchins Bros., printing	1 20	
Scott Foresman Co., text books	2 62	
The John C. Winston Co., text books	76	
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		\$110 49

## REPAIR ACCOUNT

	Resources	
Federal Reserve		\$103 05
	Disbursements	
Overdraft, 1938	\$ 17 84	
Expended	83 74	
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		\$101 58
Balance		1 47
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		\$103 05

## REPAIR ACCOUNT DISBURSEMENTS ITEMIZED

C. E. Seavey, roofing material	\$71 84
Maurice Eastman, labor	2 80
Sherman Charles, labor	2 50
Hutchins & Webb, window shades	1 40

Chesley L. Cotton, brooms	65	
Walter Sampson, labor	4 00	
Hutchins & Webb, window shade	55	
		\$ 83 74

## SUMMARY OF SCHOOL ACCOUNTS

Account	Resources	Expended	Balance
Common School	\$1,346 31	\$1,275 50	\$ 70 81
High School	700 39	686 00	14 39
Text Book	150 46	110 49	39 97
Repairs	103 05	101 58	1 47
	\$2,300 21	\$2,173 57	\$126 64

## RECOMMENDATIONS

For the ensuing fiscal year we recommend that the following amounts be appropriated for school purposes:

Common School Account	\$550 00	
High School Account	800 00	
Text Book Account	75 00	
Repair Account	10 00	
		\$1,435 00

We further recommend that the amount now available from the Federal Reserve be allocated to the Repair Account. The amount is \$67.52 and with this money we would be able to paint the exterior of the schoolhouse and to handle small minor repairs if such became necessary. In such case there would be no need of the appropriation of \$10.00 as listed above.

Respectfully submitted,

MAURICE EASTMAN,  
ELIZABETH FERNALD,  
IRVING BRYANT,  
Committee.

CHAS. A. SNOW, Secretary.

# Report of the Superintendent of Schools

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To the School Committee and Citizens of the Town of Stow:

Herewith my seventeenth annual report of the progress, condition and needs of the school department.

The school year of 1939-40 opened on September 11, 1939 with Mrs. Mildred C. Andrews as teacher. It would appear that this teacher is meeting with the approval of all the patrons of the school. While Mrs. Andrews makes of the school a happy and efficient institution, she requires good behavior and secures it. We have no trouble with disciplinary problems. We contemplate a school year of 36 weeks as usual.

Last year we commented somewhat at length upon the matter of reading habits, more particularly concerning the desirability of creating a desire to read. The efforts of the teacher have been continued towards this objective and very successfully. Pupils who, a year or so ago, found reading to be just another task to be performed, now read for the sake of reading. They read of their own accord and apparently enjoy doing so. This new found pleasure in reading has resulted in some measure in the purchase of more reading books than usual. A short time ago we observed a boy in grade two reading a good story published for upper grade or adult readers. This, it seems to us, is quite remarkable. We plan to continue this emphasis on good reading in and out of school.

In the three other towns of this school union there has been organized a sub-primary grade which is now the almost universal practice for beginning pupils. This, in effect, makes the elementary course nine years in length for most pupils. We advise the sub-primary grade for Stow when any new beginning pupils appear in the school.

This winter the pupils are enjoying instruction in music through the kindness of Mrs. Ethel Guphill who is giving her time and efforts for that purpose. There appears to be much music talent among our pupils and we are grateful to Mrs. Guphill for her interest and assistance. Ten copies of a good music book were presented by one of our neighboring towns.

During the year the south side of the roof was newly covered, this time with metal roofing, thereby completing that project. If the funds now available in the Federal Reserve be granted for school purposes, we advise that the building be painted outside. Some patching is necessary on the roof of the Union Hill building in order to preserve the property.



## TABULATIONS

## Winter Term, 1939

School	Teacher	Weeks	Salary Week	No. Reg.	Ave. Att.
Village	Mildred C. Dickey	14	\$20 00	22	18

## Spring Term, 1939

Village	Mildred C. Dickey	7	20 00	20	19.5
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## Fall Term, 1939

Village	Mildred C. Andrews	14	20 00	20	18.7
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## SCHOOL CENSUS

Persons in town on April 1, 1939 from 5 to 21 years of age: Girls, 35; boys, 14; total, 49. Decrease of 1 from 1938.

## SCHOOL CALENDAR

Fall term began Sept. 15, 1939, closed Dec. 15, 1939	14 wks.
First period winter term began Jan. 1, 1940, closed Feb. 18, 1940	7 wks.
Second period winter term begins Feb. 26, 1940, closes April 12, 1940	7 wks.
Spring term begins April 22, 1940, closes June 14, 1940	8 wks.
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	36 wks.

## SCHOOL HOURS

8:30 A. M. to 11:30 A. M. 12:30 P. M. to 3:30 P. M.

## ENROLLMENT BY GRADES

Grade		1938	1937
I	0	3	3
II	1	3	2
III	3	2	1
IV	1	2	5
V	1	5	3
VI	7	3	3
VII	3	3	3
VIII	4	4	3
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	20	25	23

We have one tuition pupil at North Fryeburg and one at Fryeburg Harbor at \$1.00 each per week. Tuition items last year cost the town \$98.00, when there were three such tuition pupils at Fryeburg and Chatham.

Total enrollment of Stow pupils:

Stow elementary	20
Fryeburg tuition	2
Fryeburg Academy	8

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30 which is 4 less than last year

Respectfully submitted,  
CHARLES A. SNOW, Superintendent of Schools.

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## Town Clerk's Report

Births, marriages and deaths, which have been recorded in the town of Stow for the year ending February 1st, 1940.

### BIRTHS

1939

May 11, to the wife of Philip Andrews, a daughter, Patricia Jean.

May 27, to the wife of Elwood Wentworth, a daughter, Joanna Elizabeth.

Aug. 13, to the wife of Rodney Crouse, a son, David Arthur.

### MARRIAGES

1939

March 12, at Stow, Charles E. Kimball of Chatham, N. H., and Christina M. Bean of Tamworth, N. H.

May 9, at Lovell, Philip Hodsdon and Edna Smith, both of Stow.

July 15, at Fryeburg Harbor, Leroy Smith of Stow and Dorothy Smith of South Paris.

### DEATHS

1939

Jan. 16, at Cumberland, Me., Cora A. Farr, age 72 years, 9 months, 17 days.

Nov. 12, at Stow, Annette Josephine Gilman, age 80 years, 1 month, 1 day.

H. S. EMERSON, Clerk of Stow.

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<b>Deposits</b>	<b>\$1,641,267.71</b>
<b>Reserve</b>	<b>170,000.00</b>
<b>Undivided Profit</b>	<b>38,548.57</b>
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<b>Total</b>	<b>\$1,849,816.28</b>

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President, George L. Curtis

Vice President, Stuart W. Goodwin

Secretary-Treasurer, Clayton E. Heath

## TRUSTEES

G. L. Curtis, J. N. Favor, S. W. Goodwin, L. H. Cushman,  
R. L. Sturgis, L. F. Pike, D. J. Andrews

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